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School Committee

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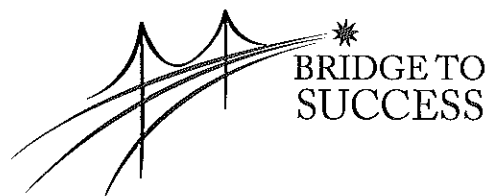
**There will be a meeting of the
Chelsea School Committee on**

**Thursday, October 6, 2016
At 7:00 p.m.**

In the Council Chambers

**City Hall
500 Broadway
Chelsea, Massachusetts 02150**

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School Committee

There will be a regular meeting of the Chelsea School Committee on Thursday October 6, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, City Hall 500 Broadway, Chelsea, to discuss and take action on the items in the following agenda:

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 3. School Committee Minutes:** Approval of the minutes from the regular meeting of September 1, 2016. (Enclosure A).
- 4. Presentations:** Citizen Schools
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- 5. Public Comment:**
- 6. Report of the Superintendent of Schools**
 - Student Achievement**
 - Personnel Update – (Enclosure B)**
 - Enrollment Report (Enclosure C)**
 - Committee Reports:**
 - Human Resources (To be distributed at meeting)
 - Policy & Procedures (Enclosure D)
 - Curriculum & Instruction (Enclosure E)
 - Budget & Finance (Enclosure F)
- 7. Unfinished Business: None**

activities. Each kit, valued at \$25, includes goggles, a lab apron, a science notebook, rubber gloves, and a drawstring bag.

Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 71, Section 37A provides for the acceptance of gifts only with the approval of the Chelsea School Committee.

- Consideration and action to accept the following grant for the 2016-2017 school year:

Private pass through City of Chelsea – \$5,000

Explanation: Funds have been received from The Boston University Consortium Council for the Berkowitz School to participate and implement the Universal Design for Learning: Leading Inclusive Education (Harvard Graduate School of Education). The school's team will learn ways to address its most urgent learning needs and gain practical, hands-on solutions that will help them reach, teach and motivate all students.

Funds have been allocated to cover expenses, including conference/workshop registration fees.

The funding award is to be used entirely between July 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017.

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- Consideration and action to accept the following grant for the 2016-2017 school year:

Private pass through City of Chelsea – \$5,000

Explanation: Funds have been received from The Boston University Consortium Council for the Clark Avenue School to introduce and modify Math Labs. The school proposes to build on an existing job-embedded, full-day professional development design (Math Labs) to create rich learning experiences for teachers to co-plan, co-teach, and co-reflect during a single full day session.

Funds have been allocated to cover expenses, including stipends, materials and supplies, substitute teachers, and other (food).

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- Consideration and action to accept the following grant for the 2016-2017 school year:

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8. New Business:

- Mr. Maronski moved to accept the Home Schooling Petition of the Gasper family for their son.

Explanation: Petition was reviewed by Curriculum & Instruction Subcommittee and found to have met all approval factors.

- Consideration and action to update Alternative Meal Policy.

Explanation: As a requirement to participate in the United States Department of Agriculture's Child Nutrition Program, Chelsea Public Schools must accurately count all reimbursable meals served which the District will use to process a USDA claim for reimbursement. Chelsea Public Schools accomplishes this accounting utilizing food service management software. Meals are counted at the point of service in one of two ways. The cashier enters the meal being served into her point-of-sale computer and:

1. The student presents his/her school-issued student identification card and the cashier swipes the card through the cash register to capture student ID information, or
2. The student enters her/his student id# using the keypad located at the cashier's station.

A student without an ID card or who is unable to provide his/her ID#, will be offered an alternative lunch instead of a meal from the daily lunch menu as this meal cannot be claimed without the student ID#.

The alternative lunch shall contain all the required components of a reimbursable meal pursuant to USDA guidelines. The alternative lunch that is currently approved as meeting these requirements is a boxed lunch consisting of a cheese sandwich, milk, a piece of fruit and a vegetable. Students may request a second boxed lunch, if needed.

School staff should refrain from discussing this policy with cashiers in front of the students.

- Consideration and action to accept a gift of up to 300 Lab Safety Kits from Thermo Fisher Scientific for use in the Browne School's Citizen School program.

Explanation: The Joseph A. Browne School's strategic partner, Citizen Schools, has coordinated the donation of Lab Safety Kits for use in the Citizen School program from Thermo Fisher Scientific. Thermo Fisher Scientific is a leading global company that supports the life science research and analytics industry. The kits will be used for science lab

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Explanation: Funds have been received from The Boston University Consortium Council for the Hooks School to implement the “Families for Health” program. This program will help to address the need for additional after-school programming and family engagement and involvement, and increase opportunities for wellness and physical activity to support students’ health and academic success.

Funds have been allocated to cover expenses, including stipends, contracted services and materials/ supplies.

The funding award is to be used entirely between July 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017.

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- Consideration and action to accept the following grants for the 2016-2017 school year:
 - Federal Title I - \$3,168,364
 - Federal Title IIA - \$559,561
 - Federal Title III - \$259,611
 - Federal IDEA - \$1,509,821
 - Federal Special Education Program Improvement - \$50,164
 - 21st Century Community Learning Center (Reach) - \$87,140
 - Federal-Adult Basic Education (ILP) - \$262,972
 - Federal Title III Carryover - \$86,375
 - The Massachusetts Tiered System of Support (MTSS) Partnership - \$31,826
 - Promoting Adolescent Health and School Success - \$4,100

Explanation: Chelsea Public Schools are eligible for certain Federal grants available to provide support and supplemental services for certain school populations. These grants are distributed to the states and then by the states to the eligible districts. An explanation of each grant is contained in the budget book. Funding is provided for the cost of supplementary staff, professional development, and grant-specific school activities, supplies, materials and technology.

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- Consideration and action to accept the following grants for the 2016-2017 school year:
 - Adult Basic Education (ILP) - \$100,000
 - Big Yellow School Bus (Mass Cultural Council) - \$200

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- Primary Violence Prevention-DPH (Reach) - \$27,000
- Curriculum and Assessment Partnership - \$ 70,000

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Consideration and action to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve a field trip to New York City for approximately 27 students on November 17, 2016

Explanation: This is a wholesale buying activity for students enrolled in the entrepreneurship class. Out-of-state field trips must be approved by the School Committee.

9. Communications:

10. Adjournment